



EXALTED MERCURY CAZIMI

Offerings from this series provide a cerebral boost that can be used to increase linguistic traction, support communication, and keep your brain energized. It's strongly one-note, but can be layered with other offerings to create a more dynamic, yet mentally engaged experience.

Mercury can be used to support: Analytical processing, written and spoken communication, multi-tasking, taking care of numerous small tasks (“chore crack”), mental productivity, attention to detail and works requiring precision, enhancing focus, increasing the ability to compartmentalize, promoting curiosity, writing, reading, editing, test taking, expedited travel, way-finding, road opening, problem solving, electronic troubleshooting, other activities aligned with Mercury.

Side effects: Items from this series promote energy flow to the head and activate the cerebral centers. Left to their own devices, you'll be very much “in your head”. This detachment from the emotional and bodily spheres can be just the thing at some points, and not so much at others. These are day-time productivity boosters, the effects being very similar to commonly used study drugs and nootropics. Due to enhanced mental curiosity, you may find yourself going down interesting rabbit holes and need to periodically re-orient to your chosen task(s). Venus or Lunar items can be used to physically and emotionally re-ground after your achievements are unlocked.

Application: Anoint the base of the skull and third eye, back of the hand and/ or wrists. Focus on the head and hands, rather than the heart or other areas of the body. Can also apply to electronic devices or things like plane tickets to help troubleshoot delays and technical problems, and find your way to an expedited solution or your destination.

In Ritual Work: Can be used to feed and support intermediary, Hermes-like spirits and enhance their ability to act as go-betweens. Incorporate the oil, spray, and/ or incense at the beginning of workings for this purpose.

Ink: Natural and hand-made, preserved with salt and grain alcohol — uncertain of exact shelf life. Avoid bacterial contamination. Can be used with a brush.

Timing: Use any time, or on Mercury's day (Wednesday) or night (Saturday, after sunset) and hour.

Orphic Hymn: The Hymn to Hermes, which can be used for Mercury, follows —

*Hermes, draw near, and to my pray'r incline, angel of Jove, and Maia's son divine;
Studious of contests, ruler of mankind, with heart almighty, and a prudent mind.
Celestial messenger, of various skill, whose pow'rful arts could watchful Argus kill:
With winged feet, 'tis thine thro' air to course, O friend of man, and prophet of discourse:
Great life-supporter, to rejoice is thine, in arts gymnastic, and in fraud divine:
With pow'r end'd all language to explain, of care the loos'ner, and the source of gain.
Whose hand contains of blameless peace the rod, Corucian, blessed, profitable God;
Of various speech, whose aid in works we find, and in necessities to mortals kind:
Dire weapon of the tongue, which men revere, be present, Hermes, and thy suppliant hear;
Assist my works, conclude my life with peace, give graceful speech, and me memory's increase.*